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The Appeal Brief filed on <u>28 March 2008</u> is defective for failure to comply with one or more provisions of 37 CFR 41.37.

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, applicant must file anamended brief or other appropriate correction (see MPEP

1205.03) within ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYs from the mailing date of this Notification, whichever is longer.

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1. ☐ The brief does not contain the items required under 37 CFR 41.37(c), or the items are not under the proper heading or in the proper order.

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3. ☐ At least one amendment has been filed subsequent to the final rejection, and the brief does not contain a statement of the status of each such amendment (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(iv)).

4. ☒ (a) The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters; and/or (b) the brief fails to: (1) identify, for each independent claim involved in the appeal and for each dependent claim argued separately, every means plus function under 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph, and/or (2) set forth the structure, material, or acts described in the specification by age and line number, and to

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 The brief does not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(viii)).

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/Eugene Lee/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2815

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Continuation of 10. Other (including any explanation in support of the above items): MPEP 1205.02 => For each independent claim involved in the appeal and for each dependent claim argued separately under the provisions of 37 CFR 41.7(4)(fiv)), every means plus function and step plus function as permitted by 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph, must be identified and the structure, material, or acts described in the specification as corresponding to each claimed function must be set forth with reference to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters. If appellant does not provide a summary of the claimed subject matter as required by 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v), the Office will notify appellant of the defect in the brief and give appellant a time period within which to file an ammeded brief. Sea 37 CFR 41.37(c)(1) in this case, claims 13-19 contain means plus function that has not been identified and the structure, material, or acts described in the specification as corresponding to each claimed function have not been set forth with reference to the specification by a page and line number, and to the drawing, if any, reference characters.